

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Leslie D. "Red" Nadeau has had his feet firmly planted in South Dakota soil for thirty years now, but there is still a part of him that soars over Europe as a combat crew member in a B-17 bomber; and,

WHEREAS, It's been nearly forty years since Red and his crew safely crash-landed their plane in a hay field near Duebendorf, Switzerland, but Red can still remember the smell of earth as the mortally wounded bomber dug its own grave in the Swiss soil; and,

WHEREAS, It took brave and patriotic men to fly bombing missions during World War II, and Red and his mates were among the best in the B-17 Flying Fortress that flew with the 110th Bomb Group (also known, because of heavy casualties, as the "Bloody Hundredth"); and,

WHEREAS, Keeping in touch with fellow crew members has not always been easy, but in June, Red and his old crew will be reunited at last in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and,

WHEREAS, Along with reminiscing about their war days, the men will have a chance to take a ride in a B-17 painted up to resemble the original "High Life" (a craft they named after a famous American beverage); and,

WHEREAS, South Dakota can be proud of heroes like Red Nadeau and the crew of the "High Life," for it is through the courage they displayed in those war-torn days that today we can all live in peace and freedom:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 10, 1983, as

LESLIE D. "RED" NADEAU DAY

in South Dakota.



ATTEST:

Alice Kundert
ALICE KUNDELT, SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twentieth Day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

William J. Janklow
WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

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